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## PRESS RELEASE

## **Citizen Volunteer Recruiting**

The Milpitas Police Department's Citizen Volunteer Program was founded in 2002 and has been a significant part of our organization since its inception. Citizen Volunteers are a tremendous benefit to the police department and the community. We are always looking for energetic and qualified new members, so come join our team!

The Citizen Volunteers currently assist with our Police Records section, Child and Adult Fingerprinting, community events, DUI Checkpoints, Vacation House Check Program, National Night Out and Neighborhood Watch meetings and activities.

The Police Department is proud to announce we recently put our first Citizen Volunteer Patrol Vehicle into service. The Volunteer Vehicle will be used to perform the volunteers' regular duties, along with allowing the volunteers to assist with crime prevention efforts by increasing the department's visibility within the community. The volunteers perform patrol checks at specific locations. Their role is to report circumstances that could be considered suspicious in nature. Volunteers do not take any enforcement actions whatsoever. The efforts put forth by our Citizen Volunteers enhance the services the Police Department provides to our community while affording officers more time to respond to in-progress crimes, handle general calls for service, and spend extra time proactively patrolling your neighborhoods.

The police department is holding an open and continuous recruitment process for the position of Citizen Volunteer. Come join our team! To become a Citizen Volunteer, you must be of good moral character and in good physical health. Volunteers must be able to pass an oral interview and a background check. You must be at least 21 years of age and possess a valid California's driver's license. If you are interested in becoming a Citizen Volunteer, please contact **Officer Mitchell Timko from the Police-Community Relations Unit at (408) 586-2529.** 

